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## THE TOWN COUNCIL

### Two Meetings Were Held During the Past Week.

A meeting of the town council was held Saturday night last.

Communications were received from E. Alcock, Delbridge Bros., James Bradley, and A. M. Rose.

The error in the assessment roll on the Fuljames property was allowed. The fire brigade pay roll amounting to \$105.50 was ordered to be paid.

The report of the chief of police was received showing 31 arrests and fines to the amount of \$84 imposed.

A memorial prepared by coun. Deaton was passed, and ordered to be sent to the Ontario Government praying that a grant be made to Toronto University to assist in establishing and equipping in a proper manner a department of mineralogy and geology to co-operate with the work now being done by the School of Practical Science.

The accounts of the Board of Health were passed and ordered to be paid.

J. E. Rice gave notice of a by-law to change the name of the town.

#### MONDAY'S MEETING.

The council met again on Monday evening, when the financial statement of the town was received and the clerk ordered to get 200 copies printed, as required by statute.

The by-law to hold nominations for mayor and councillors, fix polling places and appoint deputy returning

officers was read a third time and finally passed.

### Rich Strike Of Gold.

Peter King arrived in from Sturgeon Falls yesterday. He reports several very rich finds of gold, one in particular being the discovery of Frank King on a property in which J. S. Steel is partner. The vein is six feet wide and carried gold on the surface. When Mr. King came out a test pit had been sunk eight feet. At this depth gold in fabulous quantity was found, clean across the vein the yellow metal gleamed and glistened. To what depth this rich deposit will go is of course unknown and can only be ascertained by sinking. —Port Arthur Herald.

### St. Alban's Church.

Tuesday next being Christmas day there will be morning service in St. Alban's church at 11 o'clock. Efforts are being put forth to make the celebration of this great festival as impressive as possible, and it is hoped that there will be a larger turn out of the congregation than ever before. The special music at this service will be as follows:

Hymn 61—"Christians Awake; Salute the Happy Morn."  
Te Deum—Berthold Tour's setting F. Anthelm—Berthold I Bring You Good Tidings.  
Kyrie—Dyke's in E flat.  
Hymn 59—"O Come, All Ye Faithful."  
Offertory—"Hark the Glad Sound."  
Soprano Solo, Mrs. Sigurdson and Chorus.  
Hymn 69—"Hark the Herald Angels Sing."  
The Canticles and Proper. Psalms will be taken to familiar chants.

On Sunday evening after the service a number of well known deacons will be sung in which it is hoped the congregation will take part.

## OUR HIGH SCHOOL

### Standing of the Pupils at the End of the Fall Term.

The following High School report is based upon weekly written examinations held during the term ending Dec. 21st, 1900. Pupils who have taken less than 40 per cent. are not reported. In the various subjects appear the names of the three best pupils, providing they have obtained 67 per cent. and over. The names are in order of merit:

#### Form IV.

General—L. Moor, W. Baker, K. McQuarrie, T. Hooper.  
Latin—L. Moor.  
French—L. Moor.  
English Grammar—L. Moor, W. Baker.  
Ancient History—L. Moor, K. McQuarrie.  
Arithmetic—L. Moor, W. Baker.  
Algebra—L. Moor, W. Baker, K. McQuarrie.  
Geometry—W. Baker, L. Moor, K. McQuarrie.  
Physics—L. Moor and K. McQuarrie, eq. T. Hooper, W. Baker.  
English Composition—L. Moor.  
English Literature—L. Moor, W. Baker.

#### Form III.

General—S. Seovil, W. Chapple, R. Weidman, D. Campbell, G. McDunlop, C. Bunn, E. Mitchell, W. Mather, S. Griffiths and G. Campbell, eq.; H. Woods, T. Phillips.  
Latin—S. Seovil and C. Bunn, eq.; S. Griffiths, D. Campbell.  
French (optional)—W. Chapple, D. Campbell, H. Woods.  
German (optional)—R. Weidman, M. Scott, W. Chapple.  
English Literature—E. McDunlop, H. Woods, S. Seovil.  
English Composition—M. Scott, S. Seovil and H. Woods, eq.; W. Chapple.

Latin—M. Davies, D. Campbell and J. Ferguson, eq.; J. Lang.  
Reading—M. Fleming, M. B. MacDonell, J. Lang and M. Davis, eq.

### Big Battle Imminent.

London, Dec. 20.—The British losses at Nootgedacht, according to the official accounts, were: 82 killed and wounded, with 44 missing and still unaccounted for.

The war office last evening could give no information regarding reports of a Boer invasion of Cape Colony. The officials expressed the opinion, however, that the newspaper accounts were exaggerated, and that probably the troops who have been employed in chasing Gen. De Wet would be diverted to deal with the invaders. Having regard to the customary methods of the war office this can only be interpreted as confirming the reports.

Lord Kitchener, in the meantime, keeps a tight rein over the news, which increases the public disquietude. There is a persistent rumour that he has demanded reinforcements. According to the Daily Mail, private telegrams received in London yesterday depict the situation in Cape Colony as somewhat ominous. It seems that the invading Boers are receiving considerable assistance from the local Dutch, and that the troops at the disposal of the British authorities are not sufficient to cope with any serious spread of military operations. It is believed that the government has at last awakened to the seriousness of the situation and making the utmost efforts to provide Lord Kitchener with horses and mules.

#### Cut of Timber.

Reports from the Rainy River District sent to the Crown Lands Department state that the cut of timber in the district this year will total from thirty to forty million feet. The cut is considerably larger than last year.

#### Douglas Christie.

A quite wedding ceremony was solemnized last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Christie, 39 Lily Street, when their only daughter, Margaret, was married to Mr. Arthur Norman Douglas, Rev. Hamilton Wigle performed the ceremony. Miss

## THE WINTER SCHEDULE.

### The Intermediate Matches Arranged For the Coming Hockey Season.

The executive committee of the Western Canada Hockey association met on Saturday evening in Winnipeg for the purpose of drawing up the schedules for the coming season. There were present from the different clubs represented in the association council as follows: N. Breen, Winnipeg; A. Fletcher, Rat Portage; R. Smith, Brandon; and A. G. Halstead, Portage la Prairie.

The schedule for the intermediate matches is as follows:

Dec. 21—Carberry vs. Brandon, at Brandon.  
Dec. 21—Winnipeg vs. Victorias, at Winnipeg.  
Dec. 27—Victorias vs. Portage la Prairie, at Portage la Prairie.  
Jan. 2—Winnipeg vs. Portage la Prairie, at Portage la Prairie.  
Jan. 5—Portage la Prairie vs. Rat Portage, at Rat Portage.  
Jan. 5—Victorias vs. Carberry, at Carberry.  
Jan. 7—Victorias vs. Brandon, at Brandon.  
Jan. 11—Portage la Prairie vs. Carberry, at Carberry.  
Jan. 12—Brandon vs. Winnipeg, at Winnipeg.  
Jan. 14—Brandon vs. Rat Portage, at Rat Portage.  
Jan. 16—Portage la Prairie vs. Victorias, at Winnipeg.  
Jan. 21—Rat Portage vs. Portage la Prairie, at Portage la Prairie.  
Jan. 23—Rat Portage vs. Brandon, at Brandon.  
Jan. 25—Rat Portage vs. Carberry, at Carberry.  
Jan. 29—Portage la Prairie vs. Brandon, at Brandon.  
Feb. 2—Carberry vs. Winnipeg, at Winnipeg.  
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the greatest of faith in the railway baggage men. This is a complaint, but if they had any idea how greatly this would assist us in preventing luggage going astray they might all possibly be induced to have some mark on their baggage.

"Telescopes, dress suit cases and trunks in these days nearly all look alike to the baggage clerks and handlers, and, it may be said, also to the owners. Hundreds of instances could be cited of where two and often as many as five persons claimed the same piece of baggage before the checks were put on. This generally results in a search through the boxes, which is annoying procedure to the men as well as to the passenger. My advice is: 'Mark your baggage.'

## THE CENTRAL CANADA CHAMBER OF MINES.

Editorial From the Manitoba Free Press Dec. 7th 1900

The statistical statement for November which has been issued by the Central Canada Chamber of Mines presents a very complete and exhaustive mass of verified figures, showing the mineral returns and speaking for itself of the mineral resources of the Lake of the Woods goldfields. These regular statements which the Chamber of Mines prepares and sends out to the centres of capital seeking investment, both on this continent and in Europe, are of value and importance to the development of the mining region of Eastern Manitoba and Western Ontario. Containing, as they do, nothing but reliable figures, for whose accuracy the Chamber of Mines vouches as having been verified by and the possibility of question. These statements place before intending investors in mining operations facts and facts alone. Opinions and forecasts have no part in them; whatever, but only reliable statistical information in detail, showing actual results, the output of gold from the operating mines, with the number of tons of ore milled, the yield of gold per ton and all other necessary details, as well as the trial mill runs from newly opened reefs in process of development, the machinery installed or on the ground in course of erection, and whatever other information is necessary for

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S. Griffiths, D. Campbell.  
French, (optional)—W. Chapple, D.  
Campbell, H. Woods.  
German (optional)—R. Weidman,  
M. Scott, W. Chapple.  
English Literature—F. McLoughlin,  
H. Woods, S. Scovil.  
English Composition—M. Scott, S.  
Scovil and H. Woods, eq.; W. Chap-  
ple.  
Ancient History—C. Bunn, S. Scovil  
and M. Scott, eq.; W. Chapple and  
W. Mather, eq.  
Arithmetic—S. Scovil, W. Mather,  
E. Mitchell and C. Bunn, eq.  
Algebra—S. Scovil, C. Bunn, M.  
Scott.  
Geometry—S. Scovil, W. Chapple,  
G. McMurdie.

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C. Parsons, L. Phillips, E. Griffiths, J.  
Sullivan, M. Hooper, E. Pease and A.  
Nicholson, eq.; L. Johnston.  
Latin—E. Griffiths, J. Sullivan, R.  
Beaudro.  
German, (optional)—E. Griffiths, F.  
Marshall, M. Hooper.  
English Grammar—L. Phillips, M.  
Hooper, R. Beaudro.  
English Literature—E. Pease, A.  
Nicholson, M. Hooper.  
English Composition—J. Sullivan,  
M. Kouk, A. Nicholson.  
Arithmetic—R. Beaudro, C. Par-  
sons, E. Griffiths and F. Marshall and  
L. Johnston, eq.  
Geometry—F. Marshall, R. Beaudro,  
L. Phillips.  
Algebra—L. Phillips and E. Griffiths,  
eq.; L. Johnston and R. Beaudro, eq.;  
C. Parsons.  
Physics—E. Griffiths, J. Sullivan, R.  
Beaudro.

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nell, M. B. MacDonell.  
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Woods, J. Daly and A. Horswill, eq.  
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ies, D. Campbell.  
Geography—M. Davies, J. Daly, D.  
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Lang, F. Woods, C. Woods, M. Flem-  
ing and D. Campbell, eq.  
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P. Ratchford.  
Arithmetic—M. Davies, M. B. Mac-  
Donell, J. Daly.  
Euclid—M. B. MacDonell and M.  
Davies, eq.; M. Fleming, J. Ferguson.  
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Amy Coultry and Mr. Earnest Ding-  
man respectively assisted the bride and  
bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas  
will take up residence in the Assini-  
boine block. Free Press.

The many friends of Mr. Douglas in  
Rat Portage extend congratulations.

# Could Scarcely Walk

Mr. George Thompson, a leading  
merchant of Blenheim, Ont., states—  
"I was troubled with itching piles for  
fifteen years, and at times they were  
so bad I could scarcely walk. I tried a  
great many remedies, but never found  
anything like Dr. Chase's Ointment.  
After the third application I obtained  
relief, and was completely cured by  
using one box." Ask your neighbors  
about Dr. Chase's Ointment, the only  
absolute cure for piles.

# Notre Dame Church.

As in preceding years there will be  
mid-night mass at Notre Dame church.  
The choir will sing the solemn and  
harmonious mass of St. Cecilia under  
the direction of Mr. Carpenter, who  
has kindly lent his services for the oc-  
casion. The solemnity of this festival  
will be enhanced by the inauguration  
of electric lights which are to serve as  
a decoration for the altar and sanctu-  
ary. Those who have so generously  
contributed to the purchase of these  
lights are thanked most heartily. No  
efforts will be spared to have the  
church itself handsomely decorated, be-  
fitting this festival of festivals.

Before mass the birth of the Divine  
Infant will be announced by several  
little children representing angels, who  
singing in joyous strains the celestial  
"Gloria" will surround the humble crib  
wherein reposes the Savior of men.

This year it has been decided as a  
means of preserving that order and de-  
corum so essential to all ceremonies of  
the church that no one be admitted  
without a ticket. These tickets will be  
given gratis to all pew holders in the  
church, to members of the choir and  
to the sanctuary boys. There are also  
unreserved pews, chairs and seats in  
the gallery which will be at the dis-  
posal of persons paying 25 cents.

As the church is rather small it has  
been found necessary to limit the  
number of tickets, consequently those  
who wish to assist at the midnight  
sacrifice should call at the Presbytery  
at once for their tickets, especially as  
several have already been disposed of.

According to this arrangement only  
those who can reach the church at the  
beginning of mass may be sure of their  
seats. Reserved pews may also be  
had.

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Carberry.

# Curling.

The president v. vice-president game  
was very close and exciting and was  
won by only two shots by the vice-  
president's side. The president's inter-  
link commenced last night with the  
following scores: Weir 14, Cameron  
11, Burton 9, Kyle 13, Gaudaur 13,  
Beaudro 10.

Tonight Drewry and Robinson play;  
Saturday Schnarr and Hudson, Weir  
and Gaudaur.

Owing to Mr. McLean burning his  
hands while engaged in helping the  
children at St. Alban's church Sunday  
school with their Christmas tree he  
was unable to play at the rink to in-  
spire his countrymen to victory in  
their curling match Thursday night.

# "Mark All Your Baggage."

"Mark all your baggage," that is the  
injunction of every man in any way  
connected with the baggage depart-  
ment of railroads. It means so little  
to the passenger and, yet its fulfillment  
would relieve much care on the part of  
the little army of men who toil hard  
from one end of the day to the other,  
and in hundreds of instances assist  
very materially in facilitating matters  
when it comes to making close connec-  
tions, as is often the case in these days  
of railroading.

A man who has made the handling  
of baggage a study, said:

Why is it so many people do not  
have some initial, name or other iden-  
tifying mark put on their trunks and  
valises? Simply, because they have

whatsoever, but still reliable statistical  
information in detail, showing actual  
results, the output of gold from the  
operating mines, with the number of  
tons of ore milled, the yield of gold per  
ton and all other necessary details, as  
well as the trial mill runs from newly  
opened reefs in process of development,  
the machinery installed or on the  
ground in course of erection, and what-  
ever other information is necessary for  
the complete understanding of what is  
being done in these goldfields.

The verification to which all the fig-  
ures are now subjected before they are  
given a place in these statements issued  
under the attestation of the Chamber  
of Mines places them on a level with  
government returns. Their compila-  
tion and distribution is a public work  
in the public interest, the development  
of the mineral resources of the Lake of  
the Woods goldfields being of the high-  
est importance to the development and  
progress of the country as a whole.  
This the Dominion Government ought  
to recognize. At present the entire  
cost of carrying on the work of the  
Central Canada Chamber of Mines is  
borne by the public-spirited gentlemen,  
close upon a hundred in number, whose  
weight and standing give the Chamber  
its authoritative representative char-  
acter, and is amply justified by the re-  
sults to be attained by the systematic  
pursuance of the work the Chamber of  
Mines is now doing.

Extract From Telegram, Toronto, Dec. 15, 1904.

The deputation from Central Canada  
has put its finger on one particular bad  
spot in the general weakness of the  
Ontario Government. The crushings  
of stamp mills in New Ontario have not  
been publicly recorded in the official  
returns, and it is time that Hon. E. J.  
Davis enforced regulations similar to  
those which prevail in every prosper-  
ous mining country. Daylight is good for  
legitimate mining enterprise, but thanks  
to the incompetence in the Queens  
Park darkness has surrounded the re-  
sult of every mill run. This darkness  
has helped stock peddlars to get the  
money of the people who have to go it  
blind owing to the lack of official re-  
turns.

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# LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

BY W. M. ROCHSTER.

JEREMIAH 23: 6.

There remains to us among the letters of Samuel Rutherford the following counsel written to a congregation that had honored him with their confidence in personal affairs: "Again, hold by the ground-work when the outworks and the superstructure are assailed. Fall back the more boldly upon your sure foundation. Keep the ground of your standing and acceptance clear. And take your stand on that ground at every time despair assaults you. For great faults and for small, for formality in spiritual service, for cold heartedness and for half-heartedness, you have always open to you your old and safe ground, the blood and the righteousness of your Covenant Anuity. Why?"

The title thus expressed is identical with the meaning of this name—Jehovah Tsidkenu, The Lord our Righteousness.

1. By this title the Lord Jesus is specially meant. The finger of prophecy here points to Him upon whom the Lord laid the iniquity of all. As Jesus Himself expressed the attitude of those of olden time to Him: "Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad," so it is here manifest that the prophet was a "seer," for he beheld in the distance, the root out of the stem of Jesse and the branch out of his roots," and recognized the Lord Christ as the Lord our Righteousness. Clearly there is no discord upon this point between those who wrote before and those after our Lord's appearing. Paul for example, makes this strong statement, "Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth," and he again refers to Christ as having been made unto us of God, "wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption." Turning our face therefore to Christ we may see in Him our Righteousness.

That we may with security look to Him thus is apparent when we consider His work. "He was manifest to take away our sin and in Him was no sin." He died the just for the unjust. His death was an atonement for our sin. His life was one of entire obedience to the law of God. He became therefore a perfect surety for His people. None of them that trust in Him shall be put to shame. In the light of His work it is well written: "Therefore the ends of all the earth, and those afar that be upon the sea, their confidence, O Lord, will place in Thee."

Discussing the question: What is the hardest thing in religion? two men, the one learned and the other illiterate, found themselves at variance. The learned man first gave his view. "To deny one's sinful self." The contradiction offered by his humble companion was, "To deny ourselves of a proud confidence in our own obedience for justification." Speaking of this later, the man of learning remarked, "I then hated the righteousness of Christ; I looked at the man with astonishment and disdain, and thought him an old fool. I have since clearly seen who was the fool; not the wise old Christian, but the proud James H. way." Many can respond to his judgment. It is hard to avoid putting in with Christ a little of ourselves and our doings. If we would be saved, to that climax of self-denial must we come which is expressed thus, "None of self and all of Thee."

"Were I disposed to boast," said the renowned Bishop Asbury, "my boasting would be found true. I obtained religion near the age of thirteen. At the age of sixteen I began to preach, and travelled some time in Europe. At twenty-six I left my native land and bade adieu to my weeping parents, and crossed the boisterous ocean to spend the balance of my days in a strange land, partly settled by savage. I have travelled through heat and cold for forty-five years. In thirty years I have crossed the Allegheny mountains fifty-eight times. I have often slept in the woods, without necessary food or raiment. In the Southern States I have waded swamps and led my horse for miles, where I took colts that brought on the diseases which are now preying on my system and must soon terminate in death. But my mind is still the same; that it is through the merits of Christ I am to be saved."

3. Let us keep in mind that, The Lord our Righteousness does not supersede good living. There is danger from sin in life. There is also danger from grace. Therefore it has been asked, "shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?" The answer to that is a very emphatic "God forbid!" Security, strong and careful may stand upon us. Let us not forget that salvation is two-sided. The apostle has declared it when he said, "How shall we that are dead to sin live any longer?" Deliverance from the power and love of sin is revealed as a part of salvation. A new heart and a new spirit come with the blessing of forgiveness. We shall doubtless ever feel perplexed when confronting these great truths of redemption. There is a mystery which never must admit of apprehension and defy explanation. Yet, in touch with the Bible, and with long experience, the Christian can find a way.

## SURE SIGN OF DEATH.

ONE SIMPLE TEST THAT, IT IS ALLEGED, NEVER FAILS.

A Physician Who Says He Has Tried It in More Than a Thousand Cases, Explains His Method of Preventing Premature Burial.

The question of an absolutely sure sign of death has troubled mankind from ancient times. It has been most variously answered, but never to entire satisfaction. The difficulties we meet with are: First, that not all organs of the body die in one moment, and second, that the action of some of the vital organs may be so diminished that by ordinary means it appears almost impossible to decide whether the life in them is in fact extinct or not.

The actual causes of physiological death are three: First, cessation of brain function; second, cessation of respiration or failure of the lungs; third, failure of the heart.

The first, involving immediate death of the central or animal nervous system only, is not at once followed by the inactivity of the peripheral nervous system and its special so called vegetative centers, as long ago was demonstrated by Brown-Sequard, Schiff and others. So the lungs may continue to contract and expand, the heart may continue to beat, even if with greatly diminished power. We know further that the life of the skin is not extinct. Hair and nails continue to grow, the stomach continues to digest, the liver to secrete bile, etc. Respecting the second cause of death, we well know that respiration may cease for quite awhile if the brain is not affected and the circulation not interrupted. And of the third cause, by heart failure, the same may be said. So we see that we may speak of true, absolute physiological death only after the cessation of function of the three organs together or at least of two of them, the lungs and the heart, without the life action of which the brain certainly cannot operate.

Now, as regards respiration, we have very simple means to demonstrate its cessation. So remains, in fact, as the only one to show its true death the heart. This to prove indeed with absolute certainty is quite a difficult problem. Upon the surface, therefore, of any and all traces of circulation in the body may be concentrated most expert means. And, as regards the same we have to take into consideration that by disease the heart beats might be diminished to but a few faint pulsations per minute, which become so imperceptible that without the aid of special instruments and long continued observations nothing of their existence may be detected.

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## THE CREED OF THE CHURCH

BY JOS. KEEVIL.

Whatever involves human character and destiny, merits the attention and serious thought of every true man. It is evident the subject before us deals with that vital and important truth that molds character and determines destiny. Solomon says, "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life." Paul, the apostle, declares, "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness." The Church must have a creed, something to believe, something to satisfy the condition of Christian life. The central idea of which, the church must believe with all her heart. Webster says, "A creed is a definite summary of truth to be believed." The creed of the church must contain a definite summary of truth to be believed, before one can be admitted to baptism and church fellowship. The creed of the church, then, is the elementary and primary fact that must be believed before one can become a Christian and which constitutes the foundation of the whole Christian system. If the superstructure is human we can justly look for a human foundation; but if divine the foundation must be divine.

First let us note the condition of Christians in the question of creeds, that we may be better able to solve it a fair and unmistakable answer to the question, what is the creed of the church? Reviewing briefly the creed history we find: (1) The so-called apostles' creed, originating early in the history of the church; but not early enough to claim apostolic origin in its present form. It dates as late as the fourth century. It is a simple declaration of the cardinal facts of the Christian religion. (2) We find the Nicene Creed. The result of a council convened in A. D. 325 by Constantine, to settle the long and bitter controversy respecting the deity and character of Christ. (3) Then growing out of the controversy of the fifth century, we get the Athanasian Creed. The most incoherent of them all, braving head of the spirit that created it. (4) With the reformation of the sixteenth century came an indefinite number of creeds or codes of laws expressing human conceptions of divine things, such as the five points of Calvinism and the counter five points of Arminianism. The thirty-nine articles of the Church of England. The Westminster Confession of Faith, or the twenty-five articles of religion of the Methodist church, etc. These are considered, respectfully, as the elementary and primary facts of the Christian religion.

There are three facts clearly demonstrated to all who have compared these groups of codes of laws. (1) They are not in harmony with each other, but are conflicting at vital and important points. Compare the first three points of Calvinism where the unconditional election of a definite number chosen of God is declared; and contrast that with the teaching of Arminianism, where predestination is declared to be of all men, and that this

Christ, the Son of the living God. Whatever community of believers rest upon that rock, is a church of Christ."

Dr. Corey, a leading Methodist minister, said, "I have as much right to formulate my faith after my own fashion as had the council of Nice to make a creed and force it upon me against the protest of my better informed reason, my conscience and my sense of religious freedom. I believe we can constitute a better council today on the essentials of Christian truth than was ever assembled in the world's history. . . . yet I would not let such a council bind me to any dogma that violated the instincts of my faith, the results of my honest judgment and my self-respect as a man and a son of God. I do not believe the creeds of the day—the old Calvinism—Unitarianism, Romanism, Lutheranism or Methodism, truly represents the spirit and principles of Christianity."

Prof. W. D. MacKenzie said, "That any church should add any formal conditions of communion to that of faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord confounding thereby, seems to me one of the most potent causes of diseases in the church whether ancient or modern."

In 1839, A. Campbell said, "On examination of the history of all the platforms and constitutions of all the sects, it appeared evident as mathematical demonstration itself, that neither the Augsburg articles of faith and opinion, nor Westminster, nor the Wesleyan, nor those of any state creed or dissenting establishment, could ever improve the condition of things restore union to the church, peace to the world, or success to the gospel of Christ." Hence he said, "Our opposition to creeds arose from a conviction that whether the opinion in them were true or false, they were hostile to the union, peace, harmony, purity and joy of Christians; and adverse to the conversion of the world to Jesus Christ."

Prof. Briggs truly said, "The tendency of thought in the present century has been a strong and irresistible toward the person and work of Jesus Christ as to remove the scholasticism of the medieval age."

These great and good men speak in no uncertain sound. The foundation of the ecclesiastical world is being shaken, and soon to be removed. These are but the harbingers of the coming day when party creeds shall no longer divide God's children.

This leads us to the consideration of the important question: *What is the true creed of the church?* A correct answer to this question is of paramount importance. To enable us to arrive at a correct answer we must go to the right source. And I am quite sure you will all agree with me when I say the Bible is the true source. With Chillingworth of 1610, we can say "The Bible, the Bible only, is the religion of Protestants"; or with A. Campbell, when he said, "Where the Scriptures speak, we speak; where the Scriptures are silent, we are silent." Or we can recognize the wisdom in the statement he made in 1839, "We take the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible, as the foundation of all Christian union and communion."

The popular cry, "Back to the Christ," is but another expression of

church—the church of the New Testament. This is the all-embracing dominant creed that needs no revision.

This conclusion is in harmony with the early history of the church. Lumen, in his Church of First Three Centuries, says, "Writers sometimes speak of the primitive creed; by which they do not always mean the creed of Peter, the oldest Christian creed of which we have any account. 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.' This was the only article of faith originally deemed necessary to constitute a man externally a Christian. It presupposes, of course, a belief in one God the Father."

Neander (Planting and Training of the Church of Christ) "The acknowledgement of Christ as the Messiah was the original article of faith in the Apostolic Church."

Shedd, (History of Christian Doctrine), says, "The apostle Peter in his answer to the inquiry of Christ, 'But who sayest thou that I am?' made the first formal confession of faith under the Christian dispensation. The answer, 'Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God' was regarded by the Redeemer as the doctrinal basis of His kingdom upon earth; for upon this rock, this cordial acknowledgement of His character and redeeming work, He informed His disciples He would found His church." With such fact before us, we do not wonder the trend of religious thought is back to the original, creed and firm basis of the church, as established by the Christ, through the inspired apostles.

The creed of the church must be simple yet profound, universal and perfect. In each case the divine creed meets the requirements. The simple truth, "Thou art the Christ the Son of living God," can be grasped and understood by every one. Yet it suggests thoughts that would baffle the mind of a Newton, a Kepler, a Franklin, or a Gladstone. It is universal. Christ died for all. His kingdom is a universal one. "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11: 28) is heard ringing down the ages and to the remotest parts of the earth. It is perfect. I need not dwell upon this point. The sinless character and spotless purity of the Son of God is known to us all. It needs no comment. Thus in accepting the true creed of the church, we accept the living Christ, not dogmas. And He stands before us as the embodiment of the highest and purest in both teaching and life.

THE UTILITY OF THE DIVINE CREED IS SUCH, THAT, IT WINS FOR ITSELF THE SUPREME PLACE.

If it goes as a firm unchangeable basis, "I declare Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever," (Heb. 13: 8). Our conception of truth may change. A more perfect knowledge of truth may change our beliefs; but Christ, the Truth, will never change. He will stand forever.

22. It will give the church that unity for which Christ prayed when he said, "That they all may be one; even as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee that they also may be in us; that the world may believe that Thou didst send me." (John 17: 21). Unity is the great need of the Church. In her conflict with sin, her divided condition has been the cause of many defeats. To do her work she must be a united Church. Christ furnishes the only

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outside, conflicting at vital and important points. Compare the first three points of Calvinism where the unconditional election of a definite number chosen of God is declared; and contrast that with the teaching of Arminianism, where predestination is conditional and all can be saved who will through Christ. (2) That at each effort to formulate a creed, the result was more complex, obscure and schismatic. A striking example of this is clearly seen in comparing the Apostles' Nicene, Athanasian creeds. (3) The essential truths of the Christian religion do not belong exclusively to any one of the many creeds; and the distinctive reason for their existence no longer exists, if it ever did. Let it be remembered, the creed-making process is an extending or separating process. A history of the divisions of the church would be in part a history of her creeds. No one can accept a human creed, or even a dogmatic statement of a divine truth, either written or unwritten, without distinguishing themselves from other Christians; and if they make it the basis of a new communion, they are necessarily seceders or separatists. (4) Creeds are the natural product of strife and they retain much of the life and spirit that gave them birth. Later development reveals this fact, they also rally the conservatism of the party or sect. And thus live on long after the circumstances that created them have passed away. Dr. Hillebrand concerning a creed of the chapter of the Western States Conference of Faith. "For years in common with many other preachers, I have been apologizing for our creed, and saying that while our Confession of Faith says that some men and angels are foredoomed to everlasting death, that nobody believed it. . . . During these years I labored in season and out of season, with voice and pen, to secure a revision of the confession that we might be clear before the world. But it seems now that some teachers in our theological seminaries hold to the doctrine of reprobation, teach it, love it, count it an integral part of our system and urge that if I cannot accept it, I must withdraw from the church." How forcibly this illustrates the truth of the above statements, and also the fact; they are not only marks of division among Gods children, but they perpetuate division. The divisions beget the creeds and the creeds keep alive the divisions.

Whenever may have been the reasons that called forth these creeds, the fact remains that the religious world has now long grown there. And as the church assumes more and more a neutral position, in both teaching and life, the more imperative will be the demand for a full restoration of the true creed of the church. The Interior of Chicago, a leading Presbyterian paper, says: "The present sectarianism is a degeneration from the faith of the reformers, as well as from the faith of the apostolic fathers. . . . All apologies for divisions are apologies for known sin, for known disregard of the commands of Christ. The apostles heard that command and obeyed it with such fidelity that to them divisive and sectarian organizations could by no possibility be regarded as Christian. Their 'One Lord, one faith, and one baptism' meant, and meant only, the acceptance of salvation by Christ and the public confession of His name. The Christian church was built on the rock of Peter's confession 'Thou art the

Christ, thou art the Son of the living God.' We can recognize the wisdom in the statement made in 1839. 'We take the Bible, the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible, as the foundation of all Christian union and communion.'

The popular cry, "Back to the Christ," is but another expression of the same truth. The true source of the creed of the church is not in the compels of the church or churches of this or any age, nor the consensus of opinions of the membership of any church great or small. We must go back of the Reformation of the sixteenth century, or the great excommunicated councils of the church until we can once more sit at the feet of Christ and His inspired apostles. We need to emphasize again the truth, "Infallibility in religion is found alone in the teaching of Christ and His inspired apostles." Any creed that has not the sanction of inspiration, cannot be the divine creed—the creed of the church.

The creeds of the churches of today while embodying many truths, yet originating so late in the history of the church are without the authority of inspiration. Let us turn away from these unauthorized dogmas, which have been—productive of so much strife, cause of much persecution, and, effective only in defeating the true aim and purpose of the church and accept the teachings of the sacred volume—the Bible—as the solution to this important question.

Turning to the Scriptures, we find the elementary and primary fact that must be believed before one can become a Christian; and which furnishes the foundation of the whole Christian system is not a doctrine, even the doctrine of Christ, but rather, Christ Himself.

Take, for example, the sermon on the mount (Matt. 5-7). It is a wonderful production. It transcends the wisdom of the ages. It is ethical, moving in the sphere of life, being and character. Still it is doctrine. The oft-repeated "I say unto you," carries the mind back and centers the faith in the teacher—Christ—and not primarily in the lessons taught. They were to believe in Him as the Teacher sent from God and consequently to accept His teaching as authoritative. When He questioned His disciples respecting the way the people were receiving Him and their conception of His mission and work, the question Christ asked them was, "Who do men say the Son of Man is?" Then to His disciples He directed this inquiry, "Who say ye that I am?" (Matt. 16: 13-19). Peter answered, "Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God." And upon this rock, their great truth, Christ said He would build His church. The apostle Paul declares, "For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 3: 11). In 1 John 5: 1 we are told, "Whoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is gotten of God." In John's gospel 20: 31, we find that the facts written about the Christ, "Are written that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye may have life in His Name."

We are then prepared to say that the elementary and primary fact to be believed, before one can be a Christian and upon which the church is built is not the Nicene or Athanasian creeds, nor the doctrines of Calvinism nor Arminianism but the simple yet comprehensive and all-important truth, "Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God." This is the creed of the

world may be in use; that Thou shalt send me." (John 17: 21). Unity is the great need of the Church. In her conflict with sin, her divided condition has been the cause of many defeats. To do her work she must be a united Church. Christ furnishes the only ground upon which she can unite; for it is impossible to accept the divine creed and that alone, and be divided. 3. It will give the church a standing before the world that is in perfect harmony with her profession and thus rob her enemies of their most effective weapon.

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5. It will make church membership and Christianity synonymous. The act that will separate us from Christ will separate us from the church. The standard of church membership will be raised to the divine standard and a purer church will be the result.

May that day hasten when the divine creed shall be restored to its true place in the church; and be permitted to be the Rock upon which all God's children shall stand. Then we can all meet, not a representative of various creeds and churches; but as representatives of the one church, the Church of Christ; built upon the divine creed—the Christ—and work more earnestly and harmoniously for the conversion of the world.

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The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, held Monday evening: Past Master, J. J. Spain; Master, L. D. McColl; Vice-Master, H. McDonald; Secretary, J. H. Gamble; Financial, T. Dougherty; Delegate to fifth biennial convention, J. H. Gamble; Alternate Delegate, C. W. Davidson.

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And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

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## MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

There has been considerable municipal talk in Rat Portage during the present week. We hope this talk will ripen into activity and produce a council which will in every way represent the life and activity of this town. Apparently for years there has been a state of indifference regarding the personnel of the council. More by good luck than good management we had a fairly good council this year. We hope that the spirit which emanated a few leading people last January will be impregnated into the vast majority of the ratepayers. During the present contest and that a council will be chosen which will succeed in improving upon the work of past councils.

The law of the survival of the fittest applies to corporations as well as to individuals. Enterprising men are looking for opportunities for the investment of capital; restless individuals, some good, some not wise, seek congenial quarters; men in the evening of their life, who have served their day and generation and are able to bid farewell to toil, seek a place to reside. All these classes are asking questions of different municipalities as to what they can offer. To these men we must have replies ready, and to only the very fittest town in town should we entrust the protection of our case.

No matter how favorable our situation, how fascinating our possibilities, we will not prosper unless we have proper management. The same is true in every department of life, and doubly so in municipal affairs. There are certain routine duties which can be performed by anyone who can read and write and who has access to the minute book of former years; just the same as any one can open the door, put up the blind and wait for trade. But more than this is wanted.

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is chiefly due to its irreproachable character."

*The Times.*

"DRINK NOTHING but Natural Mineral Water, such as Apollinaris free from all vegetable poisons."

*Poston Journal.*

would scarcely have done unless satisfied that the operation of the system could be, at least, as well done by the council as themselves.

To our mind, however, there is another reason why the by-law should carry: that is, that now the precedent of paying a salary to commissioners is established it will be almost impossible to have commissioners without paying them; and as the statutes clearly prohibit members of a council receiving any pay for their services, we think the water-works system will be put upon a business-like basis by them in the appointing of some competent person to assume the full control, subject only to such regulations as the council may adopt, being thus in the position of the manager in a joint stock company, the shareholders electing a certain number from among themselves as directors and they, in turn, appointing a manager to conduct the business, with full power within certain prescribed limits to do what he considers necessary for its success.

We believe that if the by-law were carried and the council follow out a policy such as this the result would prove not only satisfactory to the ratepayers, but also demonstrate that municipal ownership of public franchises can be a success. Following is a copy of the letter from the commissioners:

Rat Portage, Nov. 21, 1900.  
The Mayor and Council, Town of Rat Portage:

Gentlemen, We your water-commissioners, take the liberty of making the following suggestions for your consideration:

That in view of the completion of the water-works system as planned by the commissioners, we are of the opinion that there no longer exists the necessity for a commission to carry on the operation of the system.

Your commissioners are of the opinion that for the future the control and direction of the system should be well managed by a committee of the council chosen by them for that purpose.

It would be a very creditable act on the part of the ratepayers to give Mr. Cameron the mayor's chair without a contest. He will bring to the position the ability required at the present juncture in municipal matters. His position as manager of the Rat Portage Lumber Company has given him an acquaintanceship with business in large affairs; he is constantly being brought in contact with the outer world, and his services will be of great value to the town. If he should have the assistance of a body of good men in the council it will not be long till the town is relieved of the burden of a large amount of unsold debentures.

## BORN.

RICHER.—On December 19, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Richer, Rat Portage, a daughter.

The children of St. Alban's had their Xmas entertainment Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week.

## Notice Of Dissolution.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Malcolm & Shute in the Town of Rat Portage, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be paid to St. Clair Malcolm at Rat Portage aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said St. Clair Malcolm by whom the same will be settled.

Dated this 1 day of December A. D. 1900.

ST. CLAIR MALCOLM,  
JAMES SHUTE.

W. L. M. L. S. S.

## BYLAW NO

A BYLAW TO REMOVE THE

# SUITABLE FOR MEN.

The following are a few of the handsome Goods we are showing most acceptable as

Xmas Presents for your gentlemen friends.

**Silk Mufflers** in White Black and Fancy Colors from 50 cents to \$2.50.

**Ties** put up in Fancy boxes 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.

**Shirts** Best American makes, fancy Patterns Special for Xmas trade at \$1 and \$1.50.

**Fancy Braces** In nice boxes, 75 cents and \$1.

**Silk Handkerchiefs** White and Light Colors, 50 cents, 75 cents and 90 cents.

**Gloves and Mitts** Best Silk and Fur-lined Mocha Large assortment, 75c to \$2.50.

We are offering the remainder of our Fur Coats, Caps, collars and cuffs at a Reduction of 20 c/p.

**Fancy Corduroy Vests** at \$2 and \$2.50, reduced from \$2.75 and \$4.00.

**20 00 OFF** TWEED OVERCOATS, BEST CUSTOM MADE, WELL LINED LATEST STYLES REGULAR BARGAINS.

# M. NICHOLSON

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ESTABLISHED 1882.

MAIN ST., RAT PORTAGE.

...in every department of the town, and doubly so in municipal affairs. There are certain routine duties which can be performed by anyone who can read and write and who has access to the minute book. After five years, just the same as any one can open the door, put up the blind and wait for trade. But more than this is wanted. The age is a competitive one and Rat Portage should demand that its council should be in touch with its spirit and progress. If the councillors are wide-awake business men, successful in their own enterprises, they will tend to attract to this town men looking for investments; the condition of affairs in the town will reflect their ability and progress will continue.

Councillor Rice has probably made more enemies during the past year than any other member of the council. But it only goes to show that he has been trying to do his duty, and any man who does that is bound to make enemies.

The one great trouble in securing good men to take municipal offices is that they are not desirous of making enemies for business and social reasons, and yet if elected to office in their sense of honor would not let them commit abuses which exist in municipal affairs, and therefore they know they won't be compelled to make enemies. As their sense of honor might be considered as subtle at any rate, from the fact that they are unwilling to take upon themselves the more responsible duties of citizenship and correct abuses which exist in municipal affairs, and therefore they know they won't be compelled to make enemies. As their sense of honor might be considered as subtle at any rate, from the fact that they are unwilling to take upon themselves the more responsible duties of citizenship and correct abuses which exist in municipal affairs, and therefore they know they won't be compelled to make enemies.

Therefore we conclude that the council and the voters are not lost. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads.

With regard to the matter of the election, we are very glad to see that the voters are not lost. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads.

...the commissioners, we are of the opinion that for the future the control and direction of the system could be as well managed by a committee of the council chosen by them for that purpose. We remain, yours truly,  
The Board of Water Commissioners,  
E. GARDNER, Chairman,  
H. RIBBONT.

We understand Mr. D. C. Cameron has given his consent to allow his name to go in nomination for mayor.

## After Typhoid

fever, or other almost mortal sickness, a man or woman sometimes will gain a pound a day from taking an ounce a day of Scott's Emulsion and will be healthy.

...the pound; there is no loss in it. Body and mind are weak; vision is weak; and hunger is ravenous.

Scott's Emulsion of Cod Oil is the food to begin to go on with. It furnishes the food to get a little easier and a little grows stronger. But the gain is not lost.

The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads.

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It is Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil that starts the body going again—give it time.

The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads. The council has not lost its head and the voters have not lost their heads.



## BYLAW NO

WHEREAS it is deemed advisable to remove the Waterworks Commissioners of the Town of Rat Portage and to provide for the carrying on and management of the system of Waterworks now being put in in the Town of Rat Portage, under and by the Municipal Council of the Town of Rat Portage.

AND WHEREAS by Chapter 235 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, it is provided that the Waterworks Commissioners entrusted with the construction of the work, may, by By-Law assented to by the electors of the Municipality, at any time be removed.

THEREFORE the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rat Portage in council assembled enacts as follows:

1. That from and after the date of coming into force of this By-Law the Municipal Council of the Town of Rat Portage shall assume the work of construction of the Waterworks system in the Town of Rat Portage and shall proceed with and manage the same, the construction of which system and the management of the same is now entrusted to the Waterworks Commissioners.

2. That from and after the date of coming into force of this By-Law the said Waterworks Commissioners shall cease to have or exercise any power or control in any way whatsoever in connection with the said system of Waterworks, and that all the rights, powers, authorities, immunities, duties and liabilities then belonging to the Commissioners shall be transferred to and fixed in the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Rat Portage.

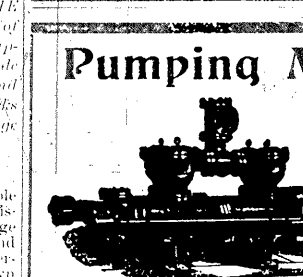
3. That on the said date the said Waterworks Commissioners shall be paid the respective amounts or balances due to each of them respectively for salary, and that from and after the said date the said Waterworks Commissioners shall have no further or other claim for salary.

4. That from and after the date of coming into force of this By-Law the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Rat Portage shall assume the work of the construction of the said Waterworks system and proceed with and manage the system of Waterworks in every particular.

5. That this By-law shall take effect on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

6. That the votes of the electors of the North, Centre, South and West Wards of the said Town of Rat Portage shall be taken on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

## PUMPING MACHINERY for Mine Work



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WE are prepared to furnish Pumping Machinery of various types for all Mining duties. Our long experience and up-to-date plant and methods enable us to warrant our Pumps unsurpassed for durability, compactness and general service qualities.

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age shall be taken on this By-law on Monday the seventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one at a poll to be appointed at the following places and with the following deputy returning officers, that is to say:

CENTRE WARD  
Polling sub-division No. 1 at the Town Hall in the Town of Rat Portage; Polling sub-division No. 2 at the Office of Allan Wilson, Teamster, Main Street, in the Town of Rat Portage.

NORTH WARD  
Polling sub-division No. 1 at the Court House in the Town of Rat Portage; Polling sub-division No. 2 at St. Blaise's Boarding House, Railway Street, in the Town of Rat Portage.

SOUTH WARD  
Polling sub-division No. 1 at the House of Donald McMurphy, Jr., at the Corner of 2nd and Martha Streets in the Town of Rat Portage; Polling sub-division No. 2 at the shop of John Stendal, Agnes Street, in the Town of Rat Portage.

WEST WARD  
Greenwood's Hall, Corner of Ken-watin Road and G. P. R., Norman, in the Town of Rat Portage.

And that D. A. Bender be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for Centre Ward, polling sub-division No. 1, and that Chas. E. Neais be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for polling sub-division No. 2 Centre Ward; and that J. W. Pickett be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for polling sub-division No. 1 North Ward; and that M. S. Squibler be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for polling sub-division No. 2 North Ward; and that D. McMurphy, Jr., be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for polling sub-division No. 1 South Ward; and that Frank Hockley be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for polling sub-division No. 2 South Ward; and that Eben Jones be and is hereby appointed Deputy Returning Officer for the West Ward; to take the votes of the electors entitled to vote and de-

sinous of voting for or against the passing of this By-Law.

And that the said poll be opened at the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon and shall be kept open till five o'clock in the afternoon on the same day.

7. That on the Fifth day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and One at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon the Mayor or the head of the Municipality for the time being shall appoint in writing signed by him two persons to attend at each polling place on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of permitting the passing of this By-Law and a like number on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of opposing the passing of this By-Law.

8. That on the Seventh day of January, A. D. 1901, the Clerk of the Town of Rat Portage shall attend at the Town Hall in said Town of Rat Portage at seven o'clock a.m. and shall sum up the number of votes given for and against this By-Law and then and there declare to all present whether the requisite number of electors voted in favor of the passing of this By-Law or contrary thereto.

Done and passed in open Council this day of January, 1901.

Mayor Town Clerk.

Taken notice that the above is a true copy of a proposed By-Law, which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the Council of the Municipality (in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained thereto) after one month from the first publication in THE MINER, the date of which first publication was Friday the fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1900, and that the votes of the electors of the said Municipality will be taken thereon on the day and at the hours and places therein fixed.

## THE BANK of OTTAWA

Head Office, Ottawa, Canada.  
Capital Subscribed, - \$1,994,000  
Capital Paid Up, - 1,731,000  
Reserve, - \$1,401,310

Transacts a General Banking Business  
Special attention given to collecting RAT PORTAGE BRANCH  
C. G. PENNOCK, Manager.

M. Caminetsky  
Has opened a GENERAL GROCERY and STAPLE Store on 2ND STREET.

..Sharpe's Block..  
Open Saturday Mornings  
Also a GOOD LINE STATIONERY. The will be reasonably light and 15 per cent. the dollar will be given to each customer. Hope to receive share of your patronage.

M. CAMINETSKY  
Apples, any kind, \$3 per bbl.  
SOLD BY THE TOWN OF RAT PORTAGE. Locations: In all the branches. C. W. Chadwick, Clougher Block.



**SATURDAY, Dec. 8.**

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PLAIN STREET, Rat Portage

Ignorance is everywhere. In Boston there are persons who don't know a symphony from a sonata and in Chicago persons who don't know a prime ox from a canner.

Miss Marya Spindel, D.D.S., N.B., explains: "I have been a vegetarian since my freshman year in college, and for the past two years and felt very miserable. I could not take much food as it hurt me to eat. My friends asked, 'Why don't you try B.B.'? I did so, using two bottles each week, such a complete cure that I can now eat anything I like without feeling the discomfort."

## He's proof positive:

Miss Marya Spindel, D. R. H. N. B., wrote me, enclosing: "I have been a sufferer from L. since complaint and depression for the past two years and felt that I was unable to take much food as it hurt me to eat. My friends said, 'Why don't you try B. B. I.' I did so, using two bottles and made such a complete cure that I can now eat anything I like without feeling the discomfort."

## MALCOM KIRK.

A Tale of Moral Reform  
In Overcoming the World.By CHARLES W. SHELTON,  
Author of "In the Star," "Crucifixion of Philip  
Sirona," "Robert of the Seven Days."

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CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

"No father," said I, "I think it would be more than fair for me to stay in the studio for a few weeks until Mrs. Fulton can get her work in some one else."

"You are so, too," replied Malcom, "and I have no objection to others as long as they are guided by the strictest sense of duty and honor." "Do what is right in this matter. Better talk frankly with Mrs. Fulton about your plans, and let her feel that you are willing to stay as long as it is right."

When Mrs. Fulton came in, Malcom and Faith had a talk with her. The result of it was that Faith promised to remain with Mrs. Fulton another month. Meanwhile she was to see Miss Varney, and if arrangements could be made she was to enter the studio at the end of the time of her visit at the Fulton's. Mrs. Fulton was considerably surprised and a good deal pleased with the arrangement. It was a good deal more than she had supposed Malcom Kirk or his daughter would agree to do, but she did not know either of them as well as she did afterward.

Malcom Kirk spent a Sunday in Chicago, and Faith had the great delight of hearing him preach in the church where she had gone to the evening service that evening, Sunday, before. They took tea with the pastor that evening, and the next day Malcom started back to Conrad.

Malcom Stanley went with him. There was, if the truth must be told, a secret disappointment in the heart of the young Englishman that Faith was not going home too. But the two men said good-bye cheerily to Faith and went on their way to the west, while Faith went back to her work with a new heart, and a more definite feeling of homesickness than could ever be at the sight of the two silhouetted figures on the platform at the boarding train.

The relations with the Fultons were naturally different now. She was careful not to presume in the least on the change in the thought of her, and when Mrs. Fulton asked her that day if she would attend down at the table with them, she said she preferred not, which was entirely true, for Faith believed that if she was to serve the family as she ought at mealtimes she must be ready to do so in the most efficient manner. And she knew she could not do so if she ate with the rest.

Mrs. Fulton was much relieved at this action on that particular day. Malcom and Faith, however, when they

like Francis Raleigh and Malcom Stanley was not an ordinary hired girl, and Mrs. Fulton reasoned with herself accordingly.

But before that Sunday came Faith and the artist had gone to see the famous lady photographer, who had taken a liking to Faith at the beginning. She readily agreed to take Faith on trial at the end of the month, and Faith went back to her kitchen quite exultant at the prospect.

"If I could only send \$10 or even \$5 a week home, I'd be the proudest girl in this city," she said as she prepared the dinner that evening. "And then, in time, perhaps I can have a studio of my own like Miss Varney's. I know I have plenty of artistic ideas, and maybe one or two of them are original."

So she sang light hearted as she worked, overcoming the world of her selfishness and her trials, for it was not all heaven on earth always even in that well appointed kitchen, and there were many things to fight without and within.

But when the time of her stay with the Fultons was out she parted from them with genuine regret. It is very certain that Mrs. Fulton dreaded exceedingly to "break in" the new girl and at the last she even urged Faith to remain another month.

"We will give you \$5 a week if you will only stay," she said anxiously. "And you can play the piano if you want to," she added, with a short laugh and a little embarrassment.

"I'm sorry, really sorry, to leave you, Mrs. Fulton. You have been very good to me. But I feel as if the Lord meant me to do something else. Perhaps—Faith said it a little vaguely, but she had brooded over it a great deal while at work in the kitchen—perhaps I may be able to do some thing to make American girls willing to go out to service."

"I wish you could. Really you have no idea what I have suffered from my help in the last 20 years," sighed Mrs. Fulton.

"Boy was inconsiderate. He wanted Faith to bake up 100 or 200 apple pies and leave them in a cold storage plant near by, so he could have something to eat between meals."

"Tell you what I'll do," he said a week before Faith's time was up. "If you will bake a pie every day and send it over from the studio, I'll give you my Kodak. It's new, but I'm tired of Lannythow."

Faith laughed, but declined the offer.

"Then I'll give you the Kodak anyway," said Roy, and he insisted on Faith taking it, and his offer was so pressing that she had no strength to refuse. At the earliest opportunity she sent him a photograph of a street and a picture of a pie, holding it in both hands, and Roy delightedly framed it and hung it up in his own room after his mother had refused to let it adorn the top of the sideboard in the dining room.

But Faith experienced the shrewdest regret in parting from Alice. The two girls entered into what proved to be a really genuine friendship. There was

boys at the station and a little back of that eager group a stalwart, manly figure, Malcom Stanley, who had come in quite suddenly the day before from New Mexico. It is not exactly certain how he knew that Faith was coming home, or indeed, if he knew anything about it, but it is very certain that he was there at that time and that Malcom and Dorothy had given him a hearty welcome.

"You're just in time to help our church celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary," Malcom had said to him. His church was planning in a quiet way for such an anniversary, and it pleased him much to think that Faith was to be at home in time and also that Stanley could be with them.

That was a wonderful homecoming for Faith. The experiences she had were rehearsed in the family circle, and there never had been so much hearty, pure laughter in the parsonage since it was built. In the frosty evenings they sat around the open fire in the parlor, and even Malcom shut up his study and joined the group early, talking over matters with Faith and entering into all her new plans with the enthusiasm of a boy. Dorothy smiled often through happy tears as she looked at her children and saw them growing up into sturdy, useful lives, and in her heart she thanked the Great Father continually for such treasures, worth more to her and her husband than all the gold and silver in the world.

"I want the boys to go to Phillips academy next fall," Faith said, with an air of one possessed of untold riches. "That's where father graduated, and it will be a fine thing for them to follow him there."

"Splendid!" exclaimed Malcom. "I've always dreamed it would be so."

"Art is long," continued Faith. "But I'm sure I can win some of the prizes for the best photographic ideas offered by the eastern papers. If the boys had \$100 apiece, they could enter the school and earn their own way for the most part, couldn't they, father?"

"Of course they could," replied Malcom, and he told of some of his own experience as a boy in academy and college life.

"It seems to me, Mr. Kirk, that you have done a little of everything in your lifetime," said Malcom Stanley, who sat in the family circle and somehow seemed quite like one of them.

"Everything except looking out for himself," said Faith quietly.

"The Lord has blessed us very much," said Malcom looking at Faith tenderly. "I'm afraid your poor old father has had to fight a good many hard battles against selfishness that he hasn't told you about. Your mother might tell you how bad I am if she wanted to."

"I don't feel like doing a now," replied Dorothy as her eyes rested on Malcom's plain, loving face, and her love for him was stronger than ever.

"But about my plan, father?" said Faith after they had all been silent before the fire. "What do you think?"

so many days that we cannot follow it in detail here. It is enough to say that when Faith went back to Chicago she carried with her a definite plan which she was able soon to see she expected to put into working practice.

Conrad will never forget the anniversary week held in honor of Malcom Kirk and his church. It was a week of surprises to him and Dorothy. The town woke up in sudden, hearty, western-fashion, and before he knew it Malcom was the recipient of a whole town's honor.

Sunday the church had appropriate exercises to celebrate their 25 years' existence. There was a great sermon in the morning by Malcom and papers by old settlers and charter members in the afternoon. In the evening the young people crowded the church with their meeting, and when they adjourned they went out in front of the parsonage and sang a hymn that one of their own members had composed in praise of the church.

The only sad feature of the day to Malcom was the presence of Mrs. Barton at the morning service. It was a sadness relieved by one great burst of joy.

"Oh, Mr. Kirk," said the old woman, bowed now with years and sorrow, "if Phil had only been saved! Thank God, I owe my other son to you!" She went on to speak of Malcom's efforts which had made the saloon outlaw in Conrad those many years and pointed with pride to her remaining son, who was a member of the church and one of Malcom's great friends. "He'd gone the way of Phil and his father if the saloon was here," she said and wrung Malcom's hand and went out, but Malcom knew her heart was still hungry for her firstborn.

Next day the citizens held a meeting in the courthouse, at which the mayor presided. Malcom was present as the guest of honor. He had tried to prevent any such expression toward himself. But when he found himself powerless he seized the occasion to glorify the cause of God's kingdom. His speech was a splendid tribute to the power of righteousness. Throughout it all his modesty and unselfishness had never been more forcibly or beautifully illustrated to his townspeople. The citizens of Conrad remembered that address long years after countless political speeches had faded out of their memories.

It was perhaps significant of the peculiar esteem in which Malcom Kirk and Dorothy were held in Conrad that no attempt was made that week to present them with a gold watch or a tea set, or any physical token. The church at a business session voted to increase Malcom's salary, and there were very many flowers sent to the parsonage, but the people seemed to know that what would be most acceptable to Malcom Kirk and his wife on that anniversary would be the love of the parish, and they did feel that, and never in all their lives had it meant so much to them.

One incident of that anniversary

Faith and Dorothy had a confidence talk that evening, and Dorothy had tears on her face when it was ended, and Faith's face glowed when a certain letter with a queer postmark comes into the studio at Kenwood, where she is making her mark as an artist and brooding over her plans for the good of the world, into which plans she now includes a tall, manly figure out west.

When Stanley and Faith had gone at the close of that week, Malcom went over to the church one evening to get his Bible, which he had left on the pulpit. The new church was lighted with electricity, and Malcom turned on the light near the desk, and after finding the Bible he stood on the platform a moment.

While he was there Dorothy came in to get a pot of flowers which had been taken into the church during the anniversary exercises.

She came up to the platform and stood there with her husband.

They were both reminded of that first night when they had gone into the little church and had made their promise.

"It is not like the old room, Malcom, is it?"

Dorothy said it with a feeling as if a Presence was in the church that was not human or earthly.

"No, my dear. God has been very good to us all these years."

Dorothy crept nearer to him, and Malcom put his arm about her, and



Dorothy crept nearer to him, and Malcom put his arm about her.

they looked out into the dimly lighted church together. The battle in Conrad was still going on. There was still the ruin power to meet in one form and another; there were still ugly forms of evil, selfishness in many shapes, to face, but God had gloriously used these two disciples for the building of his kingdom on the earth. Their children also were going out to fight the same good fight of the faith, to battle for the right, to relieve distress and overcome the world.

The first of these disciples was called the first of the disciples.

## The Vanity of Men

"Vanity, vanity, all is vanity," said the preacher. Which is usually interpreted to mean, "All women are vanity." In point of fact, the observant are agreed that there is no sex in vanity, more than in mild. An elevator attendant not long ago glanced disgustingly at a man who during a long trip up ten or more stories occupied the entire time at the mirror. He curled the ends of his mustache, arranged his tie, adjusted his hat at a more becoming angle and was altogether so absorbed that he was carried beyond his destination and had to walk down a flight of stairs.

Said the elevator man to a woman in the car: "They say that a woman can't go by a looking glass without looking at herself, but as far as I can see she can't in it with the men. A woman never gets a chance to look in that glass, for the men keep it busy all the time."

The man who carries a tidy comb or brush in his pocket for use in public places is by no means exceptional. He may be seen on the cable car, the "L" and in elevators brushing his mustache and eyebrows with as much care as a woman could give to the arrangement of her curly front looks blown into disorder by the wind. Of course neatness is commendable, but there is always a touch of the ludicrous in a man's taking the little case from his pocket, extracting the comb and coaxing his baroque adornments into a more becoming curve.

## Like a Man.

Soon after the conscript law was passed by the Confederate congress Captain Slack was appointed enrolling officer for the parish of Claiborne, with orders to have its provisions fully executed. His manner of execution was the reverse of that suggested by his name and created a lively sensation among the "bump heads" who, finding the pointed arguments of his muskets irresistible, moved rapidly and in a right line toward the front. Not long after his arrival his sister had occasion to visit an old lady whose son was notoriously of the peace persuasion. She soon missed his familiar presence, and the following conversation occurred:

"Mrs. —, where is John?"

"Gone to fight for his country, child."

"Indeed, I thought he was one of the exempts."

"For, honey, Captain Slack don't know no exempts. The other day I see his men a-gallopin' down the road, I followed to John they war comin' and told him the child was a good place! 'Twasn't no use, though, for they found him quicker than a cat does a mouse."

"Well, Mrs. —, what did John do?"

"Died. Why, he came down and 'fist'ed like a man." — Lost Cause.

## The Pope's Official Rings.

The pope has three special rings for his use. The first is generally rather a plain gold one, with an intaglio or cameo ornament. This is called the *anulus*. The second one is called the *anulus*. The third one is called the *anulus*.



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## Local Interest

The regular meeting of St. Andrew's Guild was held in the basement of Knox church last Monday. After business was transacted all were charmed by an excellently rendered solo from Mrs. Ferguson. All interesting debate then followed on the subject, "Resolved, That it is more profitable to read than to travel." The debate was opened by the leader of the affirmative, Miss Milgorey. Mr. Griffin led the negative side. The debate was decided in favor of the negative. After the debate refreshments were served.

Jacob Rose has just received a fine lot of children's Sleighs. Very cheap. He wishes them.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith arrived in town this week. They leave for Winnipeg in the morning, and are they will spend Christmas, Mr. Smith then proceeds to Toronto, having been appointed manager of the Government Diamond Drill.

When buying Christmas presents for the little ones, don't forget to see Mr. S. H. H. Jacob Rose.

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will resume operations about the 1st of January.

E. G. Hall left for the east Sunday evening.

A. E. Cline, the Port Frances agent of the Rainy River Nav. Co., is in town.

Dan Hyland of Port Hyland is in town. He says that things are humming at that place. The new round-house, coal sheds, water tank and telegraph office have been completed by the railway people. The town also boasts of two general stores, a hotel and a number of other buildings.

T. Larkin is now doing business opposite the Imperial bank. He will have three chairs running next week so there will be no waiting. He will be in his place of business from early in the morning till 10 o'clock at night. He promises to the people of Rat Portage a better shop to equal any in Canada by March 1. His prices are 10c and 15c and never will be any higher as long as he is in the business here. A stock of tobaccos will be put in next week and a bathroom later on. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. T. LARKIN.

Wm. Murdock of Saw Bill arrived in town yesterday.

The Sandusky Fish Co's. crew from the mouth of the river arrived in town yesterday in charge of their veteran foreman Mr. Toomey. They left for their home in Sandusky, Ohio, last night.

Frank Bryant of Pine Lake is in from his camp this week.

The many friends of Mr. Dowsett will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

At Horswill's, Fine Navel Oranges, Xmas Apples, Canned Grapes 50 cents per basket.

Jas. A. Bow, who has been managing the Anglo-Canadian Gold Estates exploration work in Seine River, is in town.

Mr. Patterson, of the Anglo-Canadian Gold Estates, is in town to spend the Christmas holidays with his family.

Edgar Brown, formerly of Rat Portage, but now of Duluth, is in town renewing old acquaintances. Mr. Brown looks as though the world had dealt kindly with him since his sojourn with Uncle Sam.

Let's move of that choice Butter at 20 cents, at Horswill's.

Geo. McGregor left for his home, Lachute, Que., to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Wellman of Winnipeg is visiting Mrs. J. E. Rice.

R. L. Pinkerton left for Winnipeg where he has secured a position.

Anthony Broderick left for his home in Midland, Ont., he returns in the spring.

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To my many  
Customers and Friends  
I wish  
A Merry Xmas and a  
Glad New Year.  
G. W. Smith.

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**CHINESE MECHANICAL SKILL**  
A Wonderful Example of Imitative Excellence.  
A brigadier general or major general is entitled to the keep of three horses at Uncle Sam's expense; a colonel, lieutenant colonel, major or captain to two only.

The forage allowance is often commuted by turning over the same to the quartermaster, and this practice once betrayed a suspicious new member of the house into a cautious blunder. He announced that he had discovered that "officers of the army are selling the forage allowed to them, and one such case I am prepared to cite from the records of the war department, a case in which the oats and hay were transferred, doubtless for a consideration, to a person named Q. M. Corral."

There was an exchange of looks and winks among his astonished hearers, and then an old member kindly rose and said, "I presume, Mr. Speaker, that the memorandum referred to by my distinguished friend refers to a transfer of forage, in the ordinary course of business, to the quartermaster's corral."

**The Has Beens.**  
They met again in after years by chance at the door of a circus tent, the judge and the middle aged woman who had been Maud Muller.  
"Great Scott," muttered the Judge to himself as he noted her sallow faded hair, stubby fingers with the marks of the washboard upon them and the group of slatternly children she was angrily trying to induce the ticket taker to pass in free, "what a lucky escape I had!"  
"Merciful gracious," she mused in vainly looking at his bald head, watery eyes, double chin and protuberant stomach, "and I once wanted to marry that man!"

They passed in, with their respective noses perceptibly elevated and were listening a few minutes later to the time honored jokes of the clown.

## CHINESE MECHANICAL SKILL

Whatever may be his lack of moral perception and originality of idea, the beathen Chinese certainly excels in imitative power, and is often very much alive to the excellence of mechanical devices that he never saw before. In The American Machinist Oberlin Smith affords an illustration of this fact.

Some years ago Mr. Smith sent Henry A. Janvier to China to assist in the erection and operation of coining plants for brass and silver currency. One of the tools which Mr. Janvier took with him was a micrometer caliper, made by a well known firm in the United States, and capable of detecting differences of a thousandth of an inch in the thickness of a piece of metal. The superintendent of one of the shops which Mr. Janvier established was named Wal, and he proved a very intelligent fellow. During an interval of about six weeks he borrowed the caliper almost daily, and was rather tardy in returning it.

Finally he exhibited to the American a reproduction of the instrument which was perfect except in one respect. Certain tables of figures stamped into the steel by the Yankee maker of the original were omitted from the copy, and in their place were several Chinese characters. The imitation had been made with the rudest of tools, but was a marvel of accuracy. Mr. Wal proposed an exchange to Mr. Janvier, and the latter agreed to the proposition.

## Popular Wants.

**WANTED.** Bookkeeper in Canada on oil field; one acquainted with oil and corporation accounts; fair salary. Address H. M. Freeman.

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Our stock of Skates is complete. Jacob Hose.

Our Skates are the genuine Star Manufacturing Co. goods. Jacob Hose.

Get your Skates sharpened at Jacob Hose if you want them well done.

The names of Messrs J. A. McCrossan and A. Carmichael have been mentioned as candidates for water Commissioners. If these gentlemen would give the same careful attention to the water works department as they have to the Electric Light Company we have no doubt they would be a success and the town would be the gainer.

J. H. Triggs, of the Triggs mine returned last evening from an extended trip to St. Paul and Duluth. He says that he had a very pleasant and favorable trip.

At Rideout & Co. Genuine Engravings and Engravings, worth \$3.00 to \$1.00. Yours while they last for \$1.00. Size 22 x 28.

At Rideout & Co. Those famous sets. Four Seasons and Five Senses, only one set of each; no others in the town; high class. See them. Well worth your trouble.

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This signature is on every box of the genuine **Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets** the remedy that cures a cold in one day.

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J. F. Sissons, barrister of Fort Frances was in town for a few days on business this week.

The Acton Free Press points out that a new section of the Criminal Law that will come into force on January 1st will be of painful interest to constables, and others engaged in the enforcement of the law. It renders any one through legal neglect or any carelessness, allows a prisoner or malefactor to escape, liable to one year's imprisonment.

The Dominion Express Co. is now accepting goods for shipment to Rainy River, Port Frances, Boucherville and other points on the Lake of the Woods. All shipments should be accompanied by invoice and consigned care of Stage Line at Baudette. Trains leave Winnipeg Monday and Thursday mornings at 8:20 o'clock and connect with the stage leaving Baudette Tuesday and Friday mornings.

Nice assortment of Xmas Fruits and Confections at Partingtons.

White Fish, Gold Eyes, Minn. Haddies, Tommy Cods, and Smelts at Partingtons.

A Merry Xmas to all from Partingtons.

Miss Somerville wishes to thank the many kind friends who have so thoughtfully sent fruit and vegetables to the hospital during the fall and winter.

Rev. Wm. and Mrs. Halstead, of Portage La Prairie, stayed over a day in Rat Portage on their way home from years' sojourn in Europe.

Miss Fisher, accompanied by Delemer, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boyer, has gone to Toronto for a lengthy holiday.

Miss Yeoman stenographer in Langford and Moran's office is among those going east for holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Gunne entertained a number of friends at a christening party Tuesday evening.

Mrs. May Hamilton of Winnipeg Artist, spent a few days in town with her class and was the guest of Mrs. D. C. Cameron.

Useful Xmas Gifts. Men's Undressed Kid Gloves, White Silk Handkerchiefs, Colored Silk Scarves, Neckties new styles for Xmas. Cuff Buttons and Scarf Pins. Overshoes, Large Varieties. Felt Boots and Overshoes. Ladies' Kid Gloves, All Collars. Silk Handkerchiefs. Strap Shippers. Ties Overshirts. Kid and Mocha Mitts. Children's Toy. Brooms. Carpet Sweepers. Wax Dolls. Boys' Sweaters. Always cheapest at THE FAIR.

L. C. Charlesworth, Crown lands agent, and J. F. MacGillivray, barrister have gone east for the Christmas holidays.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.**  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. Dr. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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**Breaking the News.**  
Jackson—See here, Jimson, that confounded dog of yours kept up a continual howl under my window till 3 o'clock this morning!

Jimson (dimly)—It wasn't my dog, sir!

Jackson—I'm glad to hear that, old man, because I hated to ask you to bury the body. To whom did you sell him?

**Evidence of Greasiness.**  
"My wife," said Mr. Snickers, "is a truly remarkable woman."

"We all know that," we said. "But do you wish to specify?"

"Yes, sir. She wrote and sold a story the other day, and she spent only once the money she expected to receive for it."

"Of all the fool things," said the farmer wearily, "the advice to make hay while the sun shines is the worst. Why, when the sun shines it'll make hay itself."—Chicago Post.

The tip of the minute hand of the average watch travels nearly four miles in a mile every day.

## Christmas Presents

There is nothing so pleasing, comforting, reasonable or acceptable as a nice Christmas present.

**A Few Articles We recommend**

A nice pair of Gauntlets made of mink, seal, otter, beaver, Persian lamb or gray lamb. A Ruff with 1 or 8 tails. Electric Seal Capeline trimmed with chinchilla or gray lamb MAKE A VERY PRESENTABLE PRESENT. We also manufacture ladies' and gentlemen's fur coats.

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**TO RENT**—6 Roomed Cottage on Fifth St., near Main. Apply to Jos. L. Gauthier, Barber, 2nd St.

Lady agents wanted to take orders for Corsets and Underskirts. Good commission. For full particulars apply to the Robinson Corset Co., London, Ontario. Established 1883.

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- 100 New and Second hand Stoves to choose from.
- 2 \$50.00 Coal Heaters (self-feeding) \$10.00 each.
- 2 \$16.00 Wood Heaters \$6.00 each.
- 3 \$16.00 Double Heaters \$8.00 and \$9.00 each.
- American Heaters (New) \$3.
- 3 Cooking Ranges from \$12.
- A lot of good Cook Stoves from \$3.00.
- 5 Oil Stoves.
- A good Cutter for \$20.00.
- Single Horse Wood Sleigh \$9.00.
- 2 Roller-top Desks, \$15.00.
- Oak Sideboard, \$15.00.
- Iron Bed, \$4.00.
- Washing Machine, \$1.50.
- Chamber setts from \$1.00.

Come in and see the balance of the stock which is too numerous to mention.

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